

## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NUMBER FILING/RECEIPT DATE FIRST NAMED APPLICANT ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER

10/036,993 12/31/2001 Ernest A. Hopcus 56336US002

**CONFIRMATION NO. 5306** 

CONFINIATION NO. 530

Office of Intellectual Property Counsel 3M Innovative Properties Company PO Box 33427 St. Paul, MN 55133-3427

FORMALITIES LETTER

\*OC000000007423458\*

Date Mailed: 02/05/2002

## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
   A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

A copy of this notice <u>MUST</u> be returned with the reply.

EDWAN D

Customer Service Center Initial Patent Examination Division (703) 308-1202

PART 3 - OFFICE COPY